

House File 499 - Introduced

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BY COMMITTEE ON STATE
GOVERNMENT

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 316)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to a voter's designee for purposes of returning
2 absentee ballots.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 53.17, Code 2011, is amended by adding
2 the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 5. The person designated by a voter to
4 return a completed absentee ballot may be any person the voter
5 chooses, except that a candidate whose name is on the ballot or
6 an elected official shall not serve as a voter's designee or
7 otherwise return a ballot under this section.

8 EXPLANATION

9 Current law provides that an absentee voter may designate
10 a person to return the voter's absentee ballot. This bill
11 provides that a candidate whose name is on the ballot or an
12 elected official shall not serve as a voter's designated
13 person.